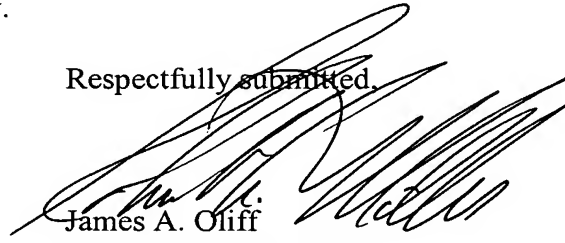


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, the dependency of claims 12-19 has been amended.

Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested prior to taking the application up for examination. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the telephone number set forth below.

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